

News Release

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Bighorn National Forest Plan Revision

Steering Committee Meeting Scheduled

Bighorn National Forest Supervisor Bill Bass has announced a forest plan revision steering committee meeting on October 13, 2004. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Building at the Washakie County Fairgrounds, located at 501 Fifteen Mile Road in Worland. The meeting is tentatively scheduled to last until 4:00 p.m., and there will be a short lunch break at noon.

The main topics for the meeting will be to outline work for the upcoming year prior to the final decision and to discuss topics that were generated during the comment period for the Draft Revised Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

The steering committee is comprised of Bighorn Forest Leadership Team personnel, a U.S. Forest Service Regional Office representative, and representatives from various State of Wyoming agencies, through their cooperating agency status. In addition, local elected officials from the conservation districts and county commissioners are on the steering committee.

Steering committee meetings are open to the public. Bass noted, "People should be aware these are working meetings, and there are ground rules for public attendees. Notably, this is not a forum for public input or comments, although attendees may be called upon by steering committee members to provide information and there is usually a short question and answer period at the end of the meeting."

If you have any questions regarding the meeting, please call Bernie Bornong, 307-674-2685, with the Bighorn National Forest. Information on Forest Plan Revision, including upcoming meetings, can also be found at the Bighorn National Forest website: www.fs.fed.us/r2/bighorn/

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